

***Update #3* Victim in Serious Crash on Sussex Highway at Seashore Highway Succumbs to Injuries- Bridgeville**

Bridgeville- The 55-year-old operator involved in a serious crash that occurred early Sunday morning has died as a result of the injuries sustained during the collision.

On May 16, 2021, at approximately 4:28 a.m., a 2007 Toyota FJ Cruiser operated by a 33-year-old male of Georgetown was traveling southbound on Sussex Highway approaching the Seashore Highway intersection. A 2018 Toyota Corolla driven by a 55-year-old male of Bridgeville was at a complete stop in the left turn lane of Sussex Highway leading to eastbound Seashore Highway at a red traffic signal. The Cruiser entered into the left turn lane of Sussex Highway, approaching the location of the Corolla. For unknown reasons, the operator failed to observe the Corolla stopped, and the front of the Cruiser struck the rear of the Corolla within the left turn lane of Sussex Highway. Following the collision, the Cruiser came to an uncontrolled stop on the southbound shoulder of Sussex Highway. As a result of the impact, the Corolla crossed over the northbound travel lanes and came to an uncontrolled stop in the grass located outside the northbound shoulder of Sussex Highway.

The 33-year-old male operator of the Cruiser was not injured as a result of the collision, and he remained at the scene until law enforcement arrived.

The 55-year-old male operator of the Corolla sustained serious injuries and was airlifted to an area hospital in critical condition. On May 17, 2021, he succumbed to his injuries.

This collision remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit. Anyone with information regarding this collision should contact Cpl/1 Andrew Mitchell by calling 302-703-3267. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

[*Update #2* Delaware State Police Investigating Serious Crash on Sussex Highway at Seashore Highway- Bridgeville](#)

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